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Celebrate *Haunting in the Hills* Event Oct. 8 – 9 at Alley Spring

Eminence, Mo. – Ozark National Scenic Riverways will bring the Ozark past to life during the *Haunting in the Hills*, a two-day event to be held Oct. 8 and 9, 2011, at Alley Spring. The annual **FREE** event features folkway demonstrations, re-enactments, hands-on activities, food vendors, and bluegrass music—including an Ozark music jam fest.

Local skilled crafts people will demonstrate from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8 and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 9. Experience Ozark pioneer folkways and traditions such as basket weaving, bobbin lace making, spinning, wood carving, black and tinsmithing, chair caning and the making of household supplies of soap, candles, rope, brooms and apple butter. Learn about Ozark history through the Fur Trapping Rendezvous, exhibited by the Ozark Long Rifle Association, and the Civil War Encampment.

The Alley area will be filled with bluegrass music by the *Second Time Around* band. The toe-tapping performances are at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8 and 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 9. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Want to show off your musical talent? Bring your instrument and participate in an Ozark music jam fest to happen throughout the event.

Young people can become Ozark pioneers by trying their hands at dipping candles, making rope, or shelling corn from the cob. Attend the one-room Storey's Creek School and experience a mock school day from 100 years ago. There will be spelling bees, ciphering matches, and, of course, recess with games like stick ball, jump rope, marbles, and hop scotch.

When night falls, a very different setting emerges during the “Tales from Ozark’s Dark Side,” on Saturday evening, Oct. 8, from 6 to 9 p.m. Illuminated pathways will guide your way through Ozark legends, folktales, mysteries, superstitions, and natural wonders for spellbinding age-old storytelling. Visitors are encouraged to bring along flashlights. Tales and legends include:

- Shallow Graves and Lives Remembered in Stone: A Graveyard Tour
- Mysteries of the Deep: A Journey into the Mysterious Realm of Alley Spring
- Ozark Tales and Superstitions: A Variety of Folktales and Ozark Superstitions
- Search for the Ozark Karkaghne Monster: A Hike to Find the Lurking Beast
- Struggles of the Civil War: One Woman’s True Story

Alley Mill is located six miles west of Eminence, Missouri on State Highway 106.

Ozark National Scenic Riverways preserves the free-flowing Current and Jacks Fork Rivers, the surrounding natural resources, and the unique cultural heritage of the Ozark people. For more information, call (573) 226-3945 or (573) 323-4236 or visit the park’s website at www.nps.gov/ozar.

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